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Local and General.

W. S. Mooney made a flying business trip to Stettler this week.

Auger & Shute, dental parlors, upstairs over Morris & Taylor's hardware store.

Mrs. Dr. Hynes gave a very successful euchre party at her home on Tuesday evening last.

The Mayor has called a meeting of the ratepayers, to be held in the town hall Friday evening the 20th.

Mrs. J. D. Skinner and infant daughter left Wednesday to spend a short vacation with friends in Strathcona.

A summer hotel at Gull Lake is almost assured. Major McPherson is actively engaged in promoting the scheme which augurs well for its success.

While handling a hay rack on Monday H. A. Day had the misfortune to break his arm. Mr. Day is able to be about but the arm will have to remain in a sling for a few weeks.

The series of Evangelistic services just concluded in the Methodist church under the direction of Evangelist McHardy were well attended and no doubt will be productive of much good.

B. F. Lundy is home on a brief visit from the Okanagan. He says the financial stringency in that part of B. C. is felt pretty keenly. He had visited quite a few towns on his way home, and in no place did business appear as brisk as he finds it at Lacombe.

A. E. Farncomb left on Tuesday for Ottawa. Mr. Farncomb has entered the service of the Dominion Government and it is in connection with official business that he visits the capital. He expects to return about April 1st. Mr. Farncomb expects to spend the summer in the Peace river country.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hilbery, of Red Willow, returned Wednesday from Nebraska, where they had been on a three-months vacation. Mr. Hilbery had met a number of government immigration agents in the states, and he says there is every indication of a good immigration to Alberta this season. Mr. Hilbery heard the mild winter of Alberta everywhere spoken of.

The action brought against Jno. W. Shirkey by J. D. Skinner to recover a certain property which Mr. Skinner purchased from Mr. Shirkey came up at Red Deer before Mr. Justice Harvey. Mr. Skinner made a cash payment of \$900. Mr. Shirkey was to give title and take a second mortgage on the property for the balance due him. Upon the second mortgage a payment of \$100 was to be made every three months. The transfer and mortgage had not been executed and in the meantime the first payment came due. There were some adjustments to make with regard to the rentals derived from the property. Mr. Skinner made up a statement four days after the payment and enclosed a cheque to Mr. Shirkey for what he claimed was then due Shirkey. The cheque was returned, and about two days later Mr. Skinner received notice that his contract was cancelled. Mr. Skinner offered to make his payment or on the other hand he was willing to take his money back. Mr. Shirkey would do neither, but went into possession of the property. Judgment was reserved.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING.

Council met in adjourned session Saturday evening. Present: Mayor Trimble, Councillors Vickerson, Murphy, McDermid, Hotson and Kent. Minutes of last meeting read and with correction, approved.

A number of accounts were read and referred to finance committee. Several communications were disposed of.

The public works committee reported recommending extensive establishing of street grades and employing an engineer to do the work. The report was the subject of much discussion.

Councillor Vickerson said it was very necessary to have the work done this year in order that permanent street improvements could be made. He considered it impossible to put Barnett avenue in shape without having grades for other streets.

Councillor Kent thought the town should economize and leave this work till next year.

Councillor Hotson held that it would be economy for the town to do it this year. Barnett avenue would have to be graded anyway and it would be cheaper for the town to have it all done at once instead of having it done in pieces. Didn't believe the piece at a time idea would work out right.

Councillor Murphy thought that grade on Barnett avenue alone would be sufficient for this year and this would have to be done anyway to make the drain catch-basins available.

His Worship thought it entirely unnecessary to consider other streets in connection with Barnett avenue grade. In his opinion the sidewalk grade established last year was all that was needed anyway.

Motion to adopt the committee's report was lost, Councillors Vickerson and Hotson voting aye, Mayor Trimble and Councillors Murphy and Kent, no.

The matter of protecting the public from dangerous drain excavation was fully discussed. Referred to the public works committee with power to act.

Councillor Kent brought up the matter of the misuse of lanes by throwing manure, etc., therein. He said it had cost the town \$300 in 1906, somewhat less in 1907, to remove these manure piles from lanes, and it was time the by-law

should be enforced against this nuisance.

Moved by Councillor Kent that owners of metal chimneys within the town limits be required to replace same with brick within twenty days, and that notice to that effect be published in the local papers. Carried.

The mayor brought up the question of licensing billiard table in the Lacombe Club rooms. After spirited discussion it was referred to the town solicitor for an opinion.

The matter of laying a sidewalk to the new school building was brought up and it was decided to leave it till the appropriations are made.

Councillor Kent gave notice that at the next meeting he would bring in a bylaw to amend the fire limits bylaw.

Moved by Councillor Vickerson seconded by Councillor Murphy that the Mayor call a public meeting to discuss matters of interest to the ratepayers of the town. Carried.

The secretary was instructed to procure four copies of the Municipal Ordinance for use of councillors.

Steps were taken to get the 1908 assessment under way.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held on 11th

inst. at the home of Mrs. Adams. The Pres., Mrs. (Dr.) Sharpe, in the chair. A large number of members were present and the Union was pleased to welcome a number of visitors. A good programme was provided, including a recitation by Miss Amy Puffer, reading by Mrs. Scott, and during the educational half-hour Mrs. Sharpe read a very interesting paper on "Eather" the same being the second of a series on women of the Bible. The ladies of the W. C. T. U. are sending a box of literature to the miners north of Edmonton and the members and friends are requested to kindly send magazines, books and papers, etc., to Mrs. Adams as early this week as possible. It was decided to change the date of meeting to the 2nd Friday in the month. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Alexander, April 10, at 3 p. m. A large attendance of members is requested and friends are invited. Come and bring suggestions for practical work.

Do not forget the auction sale of pure blood registered shorthorn cattle at the Wetaskiwin stock yards on March 31st. It pays to raise pure blood stock, so don't be afraid to buy. A well known bank manager once said: "Show me a pure blood stock breeder, and I will show you a red barn, a painted house, and a bank account."

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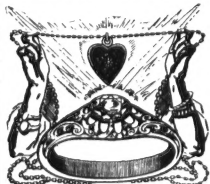
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Barnett Ave. Lacombe
"Bigo of the Gold Clock"

THE new designs of silk are rather inconspicuous, chiefly fine hair-line stripes, dots in all sizes, rings and small geometrical figures. Few of the huge leaves and flowers that were worn when foulard was to the front before are now to be seen.

Taffetas, messelines, louisines and other soft silks have so far little of startling novelty. Cheeks and stripes are much seen, and a whole range of new colors that are slightly brighter in tone than the soft pastel shades worn this last season.

Lace is to be the chief trimming of the soft silks for spring, though buttons, passementerie and various velvet ribbon will play prominent parts. The heavier laces, such as cluny and Irish, are most often used, though the thinner valenciennes and embroidered batiste bandings or hand embroidery are by no means pushed into the background. Many stitched and shaped bands are also used on both waists and skirts.

A Few Favors Returned

There are a few hints in partial return for benefits received from the Exchange:

1. A small piece of salt soda put into the water in which gloves are washed makes them shine beautifully.
2. A shower is fine for cleaning dirt out of corners into which brown cannot go.
3. Oxalic acid dissolved in hot water and applied to the stained wood of kitchen tables, or to sinks and boilers, will clean the metals and whiten the wood.
4. Save sticking legs to slip on over your apron at work. They save the apron and your gown.
5. For green stains on cotton or woolen goods wash in alcohol.
6. Wet hair and coffee stains with cold water and glycerine and let them stand for three or four hours. Then wash with hard soap and cold water—and it succeeds.
7. If all first you cannot succeed, try again!

To Prepare Hulled Corn

Some one asked how to prepare hulled corn.

Simply boil shelled corn in strong water until the hulls can be rubbed off easily, then wash through many waters, rubbing between the hands to remove the hulls. Leave the corn in water over night to remove the taste of the lye. In the morning put it on to cook in an abundance of cold water and boil steadily all day, adding water as needed (use a grate to let the water drain off). Stir occasionally to prevent burning.

When the corn is thoroughly done, prepare as you would hominy, using a little cream and butter, salt, etc. It is an old-fashioned dish, and the thought of it takes me back to my childhood home among the Allegheny Mountains, where ham and home-baked corn cakes and maple syrup formed part of the table fare in every farmhouse. Other memories are aroused—the "apple parings," where all the night-borne pears and quinces were left until midnight, when they would have a number of wonderful dimensions, and then caused still morning.

It was a simple homely life in many respects, but the people seemed to get more out of it and lived longer than we do in these strenuous times, when we seem to need over each other in order to reach that intangible something that we are told our lives away for.

Your letter is charming throughout, and I strike hands with you in the tender memories of "a day that is dead." We love to live over the early life, enjoyed as one always enjoys what is new and fresh. There is a subtle, dewy fragrance about the reminiscences of childhood like the breath of wild flowers.

But—I do not agree with you that the former days were better than these. The world is better and wiser than it was fifty years ago. And here we differ again—people live and work longer than they lived and labored then. The average of human life has gained five years in the last half century. We work strenuously, but we comprehend and obey the laws of health as our forefathers and mothers never dreamed of doing. The saying that "there are no old people now-a-days" has a stout substratum of truth.

The happiest time is NOW! Lay this beautiful truth to heart, and the world will wear a different face.

No words from the poet's heart and pen rise often to my lips like Whitier's brave "Life Examined":

And so the shadows fall apart
And on the vest of life play
And all the chambers of my heart
I open to the day.

Removing Stains

WHEN a stain proves unusually obstinate and absolutely refuses to come out by ordinary methods, wet the spot thoroughly and then cover with dry chloride of lime. Let it remain a few moments, rubbing well with the finger nail, and then rinse until all the lime is out. It will generally be found that the stain is gone also. If not, apply again. A second application will remove anything that is removable.

Owing to the nature of the remedy, however, it is far better to make a second application than to leave the first one on until the stain is all gone. The chemical action of the lime removes a portion of the interior fibre of the material and thus sets up the stained part. The proportion of lime thus removed is so small as to do no injury, but, if left on too long, the lime will insinuate itself, taking a strong hold, and finally bite through the fabric, or weaken it so it will soon wear to shreds. Chloride of lime is the law of justice as it is an efficient recommendation for the removal of stains. It is a powder for use in many ways, and as it can be bought in great care with a satisfactory receipt, it is quite as trustworthy as when it is not.

There is no radical change as yet in the new models. The new blouse of lace, net or short long-sleeved maintains its popularity at the last winter. The long shoulder line has been slightly shortened, and many sleeve caps or short over sleeves are shown over and under soft sleeves of three-quarter length. The models shown today are specially adapted to be made up at once by the amateur dressmaker.

The lines, while good, are simple, and the trimming is not over-elaborate. All of them are carried out in the simple chignon taffetas that wear so much better than those with much dressing.

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Very simple and attractive is the next gown of dark blue tulle in the new matchel shade. This is a particularly good style to copy, as though intended chiefly for a utility gown, it is yet sufficiently elaborate for more formal occasions.

The plain circular skirt is finished with a broad lace, attached on the outside. Similar stitching gives quite a tailored effect to the waist. A tucked lace, yoke is combined with a graceful vest of first lace. Large buttons in several tones of blue give an added touch of beauty.

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Vogue of Soft Silk for Spring Gowns

WHATEVER else a woman may, or may not, include among her spring and summer clothes, she should never omit to plan for at least one silk gown. Nothing takes the place of it; that is, nothing has heretofore, and it is more than doubtful if the present season will develop anything practical in the way of a substitute.

Moreover, a good silk is capable of being repeatedly remodeled, often giving more real satisfaction in the second season than the first. The silks already shown, and

anything rumor whispers of those that are to come, point to the fact that it is to be a season of soft-bushed, clinging fabrics. Soft, ruffled taffetas, chiffon and messaline taffetas, louisines, radiums, foulards, rajahs, and that delightful new silk very much like radium, only infinitely cheaper, radiance—all will be tremendously in demand.

One of the most conspicuous of the spring stuffs is the rayon silk, which is shown in many new color combinations and designs.

The plaids are of every size and width, generally of the line stripe



variety—a plain ground barred with lines of contrasting color. Gray and white and chestnut brown and white combinations are particularly strong; gray, indeed, holds fair to be as much, if not more, worn than for several seasons past. There are also much wide stripes in green, violet, malachite, lavender and blue.

Foulards also are to know a big revival if all the indications hold good. It is already being made up in considerable quantities for Southern travel.

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CONDEMNED IN NEW BRUNSWICK

Laurier Government Forced Election on Federal Lines and Met Overwhelming Defeat. Exercise of Dominion Patronage Useless as it Was Corrupt.

Ottawa, Mar. 7.—News from the New Brunswick elections was eagerly received at this Capital. Pugsley left the Department of Public Works to look after itself and took charge of the provincial campaign, making it the fight of his life. Every Government supporter in parliament but one, threw himself into the campaign. Ministers, members, and the government press proclaimed that the election was on Dominion lines, and that defeat of the Robinson Government would be the defeat of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in that province. Federal interference was carried to an impudent extreme. Pugsley, Emmerson, and other leaders declared everywhere that if New Brunswick wished the Dominion to purchase the fifteen branch railways in that province and annex them to the Intercolonial, they must vote for the Robinson government. Pugsley offered a Grand Trunk terminus at Courtney Bay, a dry dock at St. John, an extension of the Canadian Northern through the province. He brought from Nova Scotia, ten days before the election, the dredge to deepen the St. John harbor entrance, and did it in such a hurry that she forgot to bring her scows and is still lying idle.

Federal patronage was used to the limit. An Intercolonial officer was induced to become a candidate with promise of a better office if he should be defeated, as he has been. The postmastership of St. John was an inducement to another candidate, also defeated. Intercolonial officials took the platform in the campaign. The federal candidate for Queen's and Sunbury, with Pugsley's approval, offered his riding twelve new post offices and numerous Federal wharves, sent engineers to Charlotte to locate new piers and breakwaters, and made similar undertakings in Northumberland and Kent, in all of which counties the Pugsley candidates have been thoroughly beaten. Note the results in counties now represented at Ottawa by supporters of Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

In Pugsley's constituency, St. John city and county (two local ridings) majority against government 300.

In Carleton where Carvell, M. P., took charge of the fight the government is beaten by 500.

In Kent, the government ticket, supported by LeBlanc, Liberal, M. P., who brought a member of the Quebec Legislature to stump for this ticket, was beaten by 650.

In Northumberland, Loggie, M. P., conducted the fight in the interest of the Laurier government and was beaten by 1,300.

Mr. Turgeon of Gloucester, a alleged expert, and ran up this Liberal revolted, cut loose from \$50,000 in bills, all for starting a responsible for the loss of time the Pugsley combination, put up a new act of books in a single one

ticket against the government and was successful.

Michael of Madawaska stayed out of the fight and his county was carried against the government ticket.

The other two Federal government seats are Restigouche, where the Liberal majority is reduced from 400 to 200, and Westmoreland where 950 majority is cut down to 300.

On the other hand the five Conservative members of Parliament from New Brunswick, accepted the Federal issue, and joined in the struggle with the result that Dr. Daniel has a majority of over 600 in St. John City; Mr. Ganong, 500 in Charlotte; Mr. Fowler, 350 in King's and Albert; Mr. Wilmot, 350 in Sunbury and Queens, while in York the ticket supporting Mr. Crockett has a majority of 1,300, over the Provincial secretary who was borrowed from the Intercolonial Railway.

MORE GOVERNMENT GRAFT.

Brodeur Wanted His Vote Without Explaining His Big Travelling Expenses, \$75 per Day for Foreign Clerks, etc.

Ottawa, Feb. 29.—The first all night sitting this session began on Thursday of this week, and continued through Thursday night, all day Friday, through Friday night and Saturday. The Minister of Marine insisted on having his estimates voted before he brought down statements explaining the expenditure of last year. Mr. Brodeur's department is a happy hunting ground for many different kinds of grafters. The minister himself sets a bad example. For his trip to England and Paris last summer he took an amount variously estimated from \$4,000 up; no one can find out exactly how much. A part of this money he drew from money voted for ice breaking steamers. Travelling expenses of his family he got mixed up with his official expenditure. Notwithstanding his huge bill, he was a guest of the British nation while he was in England. Under a minister so extravagant and so careless the staff is easy game and the department is plundered right and left. The Arctic scandal, the Montclair scandal, the Strubbs scandal, the Merwin take-offs, have been followed by others in every branch of the department. After it was proved that middleman Merwin had been buying staple articles in the open Canadian market and selling them to the department at 50 to 125 per cent profit, Mr. Brodeur promised reform. His performance was the employment of alleged expert bookkeepers from New York, at a cost of \$50,000, to start a new system of accounting, while he continued to buy goods on the same old terms, from the same old grafters, certified by the same officials at all kind of prices.

The trouble was not a professional one of bookkeeping, but a moral one of bookkeeping. Mr. Brodeur's remedy has simply added one to the number of grafting operations. There should be in the service accountants who could rearrange the system. If outside help was needed there is plenty in this country. But a deal was made whereby a United States concern supplied a

of the sixteen departments of the public service. Here are some of the payments: (Hansard, December 11, 1907, p. 510. Auditor General's Report 1906-07, p. 77.)

Kenneth Falconer, at \$40 per day	87,032.04
J. N. Gunn, at \$75 per day	182.12
W. H. Richards, at \$75 per day	2,277.91
W. F. Russell, at \$50 per day	2,910.80
George E. Fawcett, at \$50 per day	504.44
L. R. Acton, at \$30 per day	1,180.04
F. H. Leland, at \$20 per day	5,801.05
George Pare, at \$25 per day	1,378.20
M. L. Cooley, at \$25 per day	2,321.28
H. A. Marvin, at \$20 per day	5,282.05
S. Ketttridge, at \$15 per day	3,407.55
A. B. Murray, at \$15 per day	1,561.04
F. R. Wittat, at \$15 per day	1,524.35
H. H. Patze, at \$15 per day	1,044.48
H. Kipwell, at \$15 per day	2,275.15

So far as is known all these but one came from the United States, and several of them are young men said to be receiving \$500 to \$1,000 a year salary from the American firm. The Government paid their travelling expenses from New York and paid their board in Ottawa. The allowance was \$5 per day each for four men; \$4 per day each for five men, and \$3 per day for nine others. This is a pretty high transient rate for clerks, considering that one of the \$5 men was in Ottawa 115 days and that others were 146, 257 and 264 days. Moreover two or three members of parliament who met these experts at Ottawa, and boarded at the same house with some of them, positively assured the Minister that while the country was paying \$4 and \$5 per day for their board, the boarders themselves were paying less than \$1 per day. Mr. Brodeur solemnly stated that the experts furnished vouchers for all payments, but was obliged to correct his statement when shown that certain accounts produced had no vouchers with them. It looks as if this whole book-keeping scheme, professedly undertaken to protect the Government from boodlers, was a grand boodling operation. Mr. Brodeur found that with this matter and his travelling bills unexplained he could not get his estimates voted and though he fought two nights and three days he got no farther ahead and finds himself obliged to clear up the matter before he gets his vote.

The immediate cause of the long sitting may be briefly explained. Mr. Brodeur's estimates had been partially voted weeks before. The Opposition asked him before going any farther to produce certain information, which the House had ordered and the Minister agreed to bring, before his estimates were again taken up. He failed to have the papers ready at the time promised, though he claimed that this failure was through no personal fault of his own, but was due to the absence of his deputy. Under these circumstances opposition members asked that the Marine estimates be postponed and those of some other department taken up. As all the Ministers have money to vote that course might easily have been followed. But Mr. Brodeur insisted that his own votes should be passed. Conservative members stood by their declaration to which the Minister had himself assented, that the information should be given first and the vote afterwards, and that if through any misfortune Mr. Brodeur had failed to get his papers ready, some other Minister who had not failed should take up his estimates.

Mr. Brodeur refused to allow other work to be done. He was found that not only was

the money to the imported bookkeepers for board and expenses without vouchers, but that no officer certified to the correctness of most of the \$50,000 paid for the accounting.

A large part was paid on the mere certificate of the men to whom the money went. It would have suited the Minister to have his money voted before these and other facts were known, as it suits other Ministers to shut out enquiry into all doubtful matters of public expenditure. But there must be a limit to these suppressions.

Mr. Graham's Disappointing Statement.

The Minister of Railways has made his first annual statement which did not convey much information. No policy respecting the Georgian Bay Canal was made, though a private company is demanding authority to construct it while public ownership is strongly advocated. Neither did Mr. Graham explain the government intention respecting the Quebec Bridge. He announced that the G. T. P. route from Edmonton to the Pacific has been located and that this section would cost \$42,000,000, which is just \$21,000,000 more than when he introduced the measure. As to the Intercolonial returns for this year, Mr. Graham had no information later than November, though the Grand Trunk and C. P. R. furnish weekly statements down to a few days before publication. But the Minister admits that the showing this year will not be so good as the last.

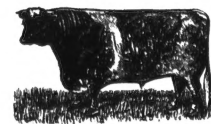
In the New Brunswick election Pugsley and Emmerson had a programme for the purchase of branch railways and engaged Burns, M. P. (since defeated) to prepare a report on these lines. This report Mr. Graham treated contemptuously, declaring in his budget speech that while he might take over a paying road, he would not bother with others, and would not touch any of them on the report like the one he had from outsiders. He bluntly declared that all the reports he wanted he would get from his own officers. Pugsley accepted this sneer without resentment, thankful that Graham postponed it till after the election.

The minister's statement and the Railway department were sharply criticised by Mr. Haggart and Dr. Reid. The former referred to Graham's lack of information, especially in regard to the prospective cost of the Transcontinental, showed that the Intercolonial was run at an actual loss of more than \$1,000,000 a year, denounced the deception in the branch line programme, and estimated that the Grand Trunk Pacific extension would put the I. C. R. largely out of business. He proved that the cost of operating the Intercolonial was large out of all proportion to the revenues or the work accomplished. Dr. Reid explained the failure of the government elevator policy which the minister had admitted. He recalled the government statement when the Drummond line was acquired, that this transaction would change the deficit of \$600,000 into an immediate surplus of \$310,000 a year, which would go on increasing. In the ten years since admitted net deficit was \$2,000,000, while, besides the price of purchased branches, \$25,000,000 had been added to the

cost of the railway. This additional capital is largely cost of maintenance and replacements belonging to working expenses. The department admits working expenses last year, were 97 per cent of earnings, and the recent average is more than 100 per cent, while on all the Canadian railroads

the average is less than 71 per cent, on the C. P. R. less than 64 and the Grand Trunk 69. Dr. Reid showed that if the working expenses of the Intercolonial were on the same basis as the average Canadian railway or the other trunk lines, the saving would be 30 per cent of the revenue, or \$2,400,000 a year.

Extensive Auction Sale of Pure Blood Registered Shorthorn Cattle



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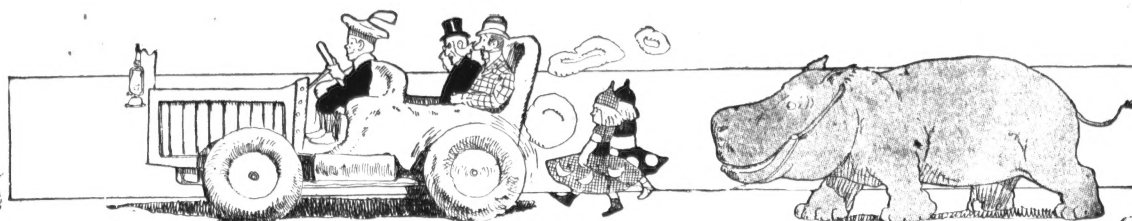
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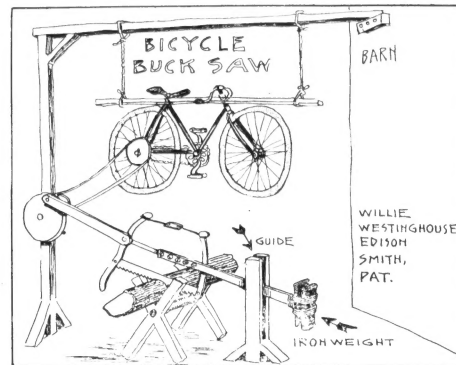
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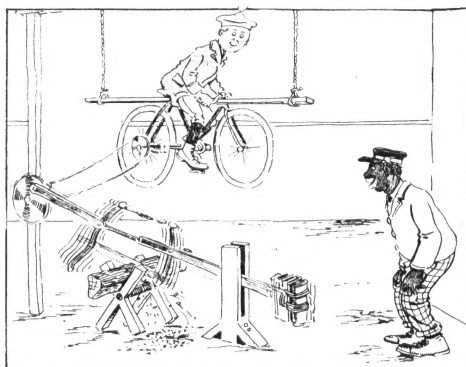
Willie's New Scheme for Sawing Wood



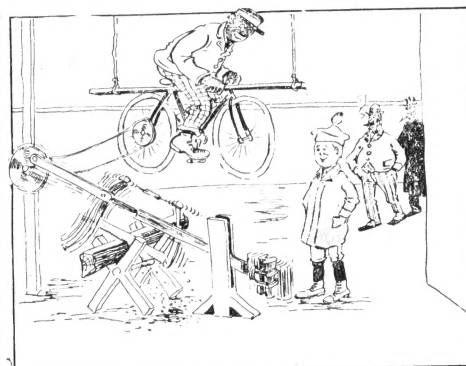
Dear Tommy:—Papa got a cord of hickory wood to burn in the fire-place, and Jim had to saw it.



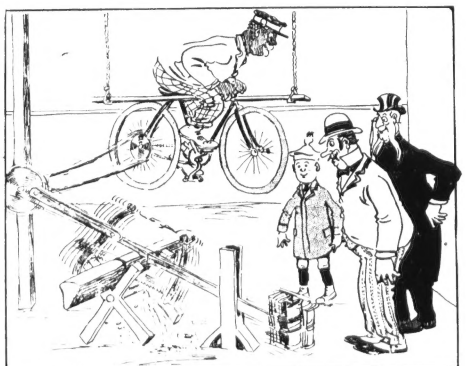
It's awful hard work, so I rigged up a scheme like this diagram.



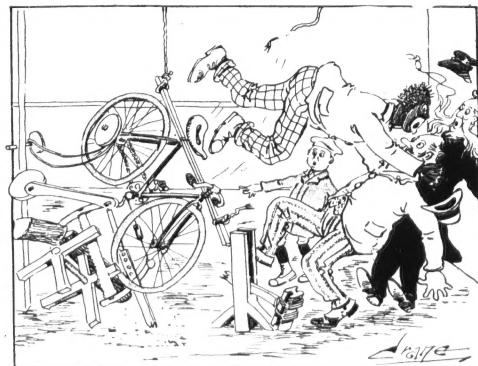
I tried it first. It wasn't like work at all. It was j-- fun.



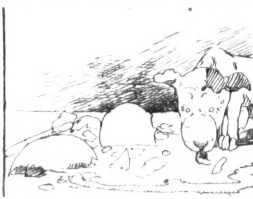
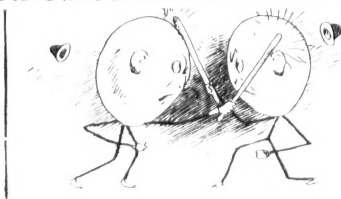
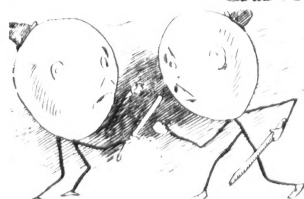
Then Jim climbed up on the wheel and was just starting when Papa and the Minister came along.



Jim liked the sport and started to scorch, but just then the forward rope broke—



And down came Jim on top of Papa and the Minister. Nobody was hurt very much, but they all got mad. Yours, WILLIE.



Local and General.

Call early and see the fine selection of Easter cards displayed in the window of the Skinner Drug Company.

It must be that a comparatively small turnout is expected at the ratemakers' meeting, the town hall having been announced as the place of holding the meeting.

Auction Sale O. Lillierik, six miles west of Bentley, will sell cattle, horses, implements, household goods, etc., by public auction on Monday, March 21, commencing at 11 o'clock. Col. A. H. Garries, auctioneer.

As a result of the revival meetings just concluded at the Methodist church, 130 people professed conversion. 92 of these united with the Methodist church at the closing service. Others have signified their intention of joining other churches.

B. F. Bailey has purchased the furniture and undertaking business of Coffin & Klein. Class has been taken over and, in connection with this establishment, will take his old place as Mr. Bailey's right hand man. Large orders for new furniture have already been placed, and all who are acquainted with Mr. Bailey foresee commercial success for this well-known store.

The Hockey Match.

The unfortunate incident which occurred at the "Old Lacombe" match on Monday night spoiled what otherwise would have been a good game of hockey. Although the Lacombe boys early in the game gave evidence of superior strength the game promptly fell to pieces and was speedily abandoned. Almost at the end of the first half one of the Old players struck Lloyd Standish over the head with his stick and then the event of the evening took place. This incident will certainly aid in perpetuating Old's reputation for dirty hockey, and such an offence on the part of an individual player cannot be too strongly censured, and it is well for those who participate in the game to know that the sport patronizing policy will not stand to witness such exhibitions of brutality.

On the other hand the manner in which a number of the spectators undertook to adjust the difficulty is not to be commended. Two wrongs never make a right. If the circumstances are as they appear to be, Mr. Davis should be punished accordingly, but there are civilized ways in which even an operation of this kind can be performed.

Mr. Davis was brought back from Olds to answer for his conduct before Justice McKenty and Carruthers and the trial is in progress as we close the forms on this issue.

TO THE PUBLIC.

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If I haven't got what you want maybe I can assist you in getting it.

Thanking all my good old customers for their courteous treatment, I am yours for business.

B. F. BAILEY

South Gull Lake.

The sheep brigade was entertained at the home of C. A. McCarrick on Friday night last.

The 500 club of Bentley was playing at R. K. Hutchinson on Friday night.

Mrs. Hutchinson is still visiting with her daughter at Wetaskiwin.

Ralph and Earl Wiese made a trip to Bentley on Saturday.

Neighing is getting good now when we don't want it.

Percy Harding of Lacombe has been visiting in this vicinity the past few days. We believe it is true that Mr. Wiese is going to build a hotel this summer for he has purchased 2000 shingles already (guess there will be no danger of starting at the lake this summer with two hotels, providing they give us something to eat).

Mr. John Duff left this vicinity and is now working for Mr. H. Metcalf near Lacombe.

A large crowd attended the sale at A. Weary's. Since Mr. Weary has sold everything he expects to leave for England in the near future. We are sorry to lose our neighbor.

Mr. S. H. Welsh seems to be quite inquisitive about who is the correspondent for South Gull Lake. He is a very persistent fellow and he will willingly tell you.

Mr. T. Bucknell is buying up milk cows now. He intends milking 25 or 30 cows this coming summer.

Mr. S. H. Welsh attended a conservative meeting down at Blackfalds.

Blackfalds.

The political meeting under the auspices of the local Liberal Conservative Association was held in the town hall on Monday evening. Addresses were delivered by Mr. Stephenson, of Red Deer, and the Conservative candidate, Mr. G. F. Root.

Speakers are commencing to arrive. Two more are set for next week. The first of the speakers is expected to arrive today. If the pace keeps up a goodly number will be added to the population of the district before the year is past.

Mr. E. Widen, who recently opened a tin shop in this place, has purchased the hardware stock of R. A. Sissler.

Notices have been posted for the voting on the debentures for the erection of a new school, and the securing of another site. The public would like to have plans and estimates placed before them before voting in order that they may know what they are voting for. If there are not furnished by the trustees before election day, there is a danger of the debentures being defeated.

Mr. Robert Goughly, who has spent the last year in H. U. has returned and says Alberta is good enough for him.

What is the council of the I. O. O. F. village council, and the board of trade doing towards having the roads leading to the village from the east and west put in proper condition for the increased traffic which is passing over them? When the frost comes out of the ground these roads will be for weeks in an almost impassable state. Wake up gentlemen, and try to have something done.

Blackfalds boasts of one of the best public halls in the province. But it is not provided in any way with fire escapes. It is up to the village council to see that this danger is removed.

Mrs. H. Moe, wife of Rev. H. Moe, is lying seriously ill at the residence of Mrs. W. W. Seely. Heart trouble is the disease from which she is suffering. Her many friends look for a speedy and complete recovery.

The weed inspectors and the coyote bounty scalpers were treated to a hot roast at the political meeting on Monday evening.

The young people of the town and district spent a social evening at the home of Mrs. H. Phillips on Friday evening last. Dancing formed the principal source of amusement.

Bentley.

Bentley does not enjoy the weather of late.

On Friday, March 27, a basket social will be held in the school house at Bentley.

Revival services will be held in the Methodist church the coming week. Evangelist Driver of Edmonton will assist Rev. Neville. Services begin at 7:30 each evening. All are welcome.

Mr. B. Thorp of Kinsey was a pleasant caller at our office Friday.

We hear that our old friend Mr. Blackmer expects to return to his former position at Bentley.

Mr. McCarrick intends to give a dance on Thursday, March 19, Music by Wieschville band.

Mr. M. Uhl has been seen on our streets the past week.

Bentley boys say they will keep their eyes peeled so "you'll have to go some" South Gull Lake girls.

The 500 club of Bentley has challenged the South Gull Lake boys to a game of 500 but the latter have backed out. T. B. B.

Mr. Boody Blackmer who left for a few weeks to St. Louis is being extensively entertained.

Mr. Harry Sullivan entertained a number of his friends Friday night with five hundred. Refreshments were served at 12 o'clock, and the young people enjoyed some of that blue berry jam that only Mrs. Sullivan knows how to prepare.

Mrs. Clarence Damm and R. A. Sprague defeated all comers at 500 last week. Their challenge is always open to any who think they can play. They certainly whoop them up.

Mr. Burson who opened the new barber shop at the Alexandra Hotel is going some.

Mr. Hutchinson entertained the 500 club on Saturday night.

Gull Lake 500 club refused to accept challenge from Bentley champions.

Stevenson's sawing machine has been busy around Bentley.

The Bentley Literary Society closed the season with a melodrama entitled "A morning police court or the woodpile mystery." Characters: Frank Thorpe, hero; Jack Damm, villain; C. A. Putland, tax-payer; Mr. Birch, peasant inspector; C. Damm, candy kid; Mr. Peterson, Hon. Judge; Mr. Kelly, little Eva. B. R. H.

Convention of Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools.

The annual convention of Epworth Leagues and Sunday schools for Red Deer, Lacombe and Stettler districts was held in Lacombe Feb. 26-27. A large number of schools were represented and those which failed to send delegates missed an excellent opportunity of receiving inspiration, encouragement and suggestion. The convention opened at 2 p. m. on the 26th. Devotional exercises led by Rev. J. N. Wilkinson of Valley City.

An excellent paper on Junior League work written by Mrs. Henderson of Red Deer was read by Mrs. Huestis. Mrs. Henderson's paper was a most practical and also original. The writer out-lined the importance of the Junior League and which had proved very satisfactory. She did not believe in adhering rigidly to a set cut and dried constitution but rather in adapting the methods to the circumstances in order to do the most effective work. The constitution should be used as a guide but the superintendent must devise ways to follow. A lively discussion followed.

At 4 p. m. a large class of children came in from school and were taught by object lesson on "Crown" by Miss Carter. The children manifested keen interest in the lesson. Different kinds of crowns were shown as illustrations, but the crown which we should all seek to obtain by becoming children of the Heavenly King.

The evening session opened with a song service followed by an address by Rev. J. A. Doyle. Mr. Doyle affirmed that the Epworth League would never have existed if the Sunday School had done its duty. The origin of the Students Volunteer Movement was traced to a gathering at Northfield in 1887. Livingston was chosen by the Students at Belleville and sent to Africa. Stevens was chosen to go as a missionary, so he campaigned the Colouring District and asked for 25 a week from the young people. He received enough to send him out. 70 missionaries are at present supported by the young people. Many of the Epworth Leagues are not what they should be. The Methodist church agreed to send an evangelist to the conference a year for 4 years. Alberta Conference is expected to send 3. The missionary spirit should be taught more in the Sunday schools.

A stirring address was given by Rev. C. H. Hudson on "The Power of the Epworth League." He said Epworth League is not a part of the church but the church is a part of the Epworth League. He received enough to send him out. 70 missionaries are at present supported by the young people. Many of the Epworth Leagues are not what they should be. The Methodist church agreed to send an evangelist to the conference a year for 4 years. Alberta Conference is expected to send 3. The missionary spirit should be taught more in the Sunday schools.

An excellent paper was read by Rev. Barron on the "Power of the Prayer Life." Among other good things, the writer said, "to pray for tasks equal to your power but for power equal to your tasks." Men of vision are men of prayer.

Report of Committee on Resolutions was next read. Committee recommends: 1. That a summer school be held at Gull Lake during the coming summer. 2. That this convention of Epworth League and Sunday School Workers of Red Deer, Lacombe and Stettler districts hereby endorse the appointment of the Rev. J. A. Doyle as associate secretary of Sunday schools and Epworth Leagues for Western Canada and express his appreciation of his presence at our convention and would further assure him of their hearty cooperation in his efforts to carry out the important work which has been appointed. 3. That this convention tends its thanks to the ladies of Lacombe who have so kindly received and entertained the delegates. On Thursday afternoon a round table talk on "The Epworth League" was carried on by Rev. Webster and heartily participated in.

Mrs. Bailey of Lacombe then read a paper on "What a League Expects from a Pastor." Pastor should be present at League when possible and keep in the

closest touch with the young people. This will open one way by which he can reach the young, and it will also help him to have their sympathy and cooperation in his work.

Thursday evening Mr. Fowler of Watkinson spoke on "Religious Education." He showed the need of bible teaching in the schools as every side of the nature could not be developed without religious teaching and present day standards of education require an all round development. The highest duty of the state is to raise good citizens. Men and women are more important than either money or land.

A duet in C major was sung by Mr. and Mrs. Steinhauser. Rev. J. A. Doyle spoke next on the "Big Boy Problem." The future of the country depends on the boys. We must use all means—home church and schools in training them for their position. 80 per cent of young men are found in bar, pool and gambling rooms. This is not their fault but that of the church and Sunday school. The gang spirit grows, the boys will get together. The church should recognize this and make provision for it. Some suggestions were offered as to how the church might hold the boys. Have a place for them in the church, have them organize study, engage in athletic, etc. A special session was held Friday morning to finish some business left over from the other sessions. Some suggestions were offered for improving the present system of S. S. Lessons, a suggestion work might be taught more effectively, use of charts, pamphlets, etc. special subjects, Quarterly Mission Lessons instead of review, etc.

Officers for the coming year are: President, Rev. G. G. Webber; Secretary, Rev. W. E. James; Vice Presidents, Rev. S. S. Dept. Rev. W. A. Saunders, Rev. R. W. J. Clements, Rev. W. J. Bruce; Vice President of E. L. Dept. Rev. C. H. Huestis; Vice President of Literary Dept. Rev. C. P. of E. L. Mr. G. M. Hall; Vice President of Missionary Dept. Rev. R. E. Pridley; Vice President of Literary Dept. Mrs. H. E. Gordon; Vice President of Social Dept. Mrs. R. O. Oltz; Junior Vice President, Mrs. Henderson; Minister of Conf. Executive of E. L. Rev. W. E. James.

Tenders Wanted

Sealed tenders, marked "Tenders for Agricultural Buildings" will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, April 28, 1908, for the construction of buildings on the Agricultural Grounds, Lacombe.

Buildings are: Hall, Cow Barn, Horse Barn and Grand Stand.

Sealed tenders for the building of only, will be considered.

Plans and specifications may be seen at office of Geo. W. Hosson, Nanton St., Lacombe.

The lowest nor any tender not necessarily accepted.

N. E. CARRUTHERS, Secy-Treas.

Lacombe, Alta. March 17, 1908.

NOTICE

To the Ratepayers of the Town of Lacombe

A public meeting of the ratepayers will be held in the Town Hall on

Friday, March 20

At 8 p. m. for the purpose of discussing the town's financial standing, the advisability of issuing debentures, and any other matters which may be of interest to the ratepayers.

H. M. TREMBLE, MAYOR.

NOTICE

To whom it may concern: That the parties using metal chimneys within the Corporation must replace by brick not later than twenty days from the date of this notice and after that date action will be taken.

Dated this 16th day of March, 1908.

T. CLARK KING, Secy-Treas.

Town of Lacombe.

Present Prices.

I have not combined with the merchants of Lacombe to raise the prices of flour on the people, as the mills have not raised on us.

OAK LAKE FLOUR

we guarantee to be as good as the best and second to none or money refunded.

\$3.50 -----per 100 lbs.---- \$3.25

Granulated Sugar

Beet sugar, 20 lb sack - \$1.15
B. C. cane sugar, 20 lb sack - 1.20

All other goods in proportion. Everything sold at lowest possible price.

Chas. West.

First door south of Union Bank.

Alberta Drug Store

An entirely new line of Toilet Soap now at reasonable prices, especially our hard water soap, 10¢ cake, 25¢ box.

A full line of Drugs, Stationery and Toilet Articles carried. Call in and see for yourselves.

L. OVERTON.

Victoria Hotel Block, Nanton St., Lacombe

CLOTHING!

A good assortment of men's and boys' suits always in stock. Also a full line of Gent's Furnishings, etc.

ALF. J. McLAUGHLIN

THE CLOTHIER

One door east Post Office Lacombe, Alta.

Lacombe Meat Market

Choice beef, pork, sausages and fish. Telephone orders will receive careful attention.

P. M. STAACK,

NEXT TO ROYAL HOTEL

LACOMBE

Lacombe Dining Hall

The Popular Restaurant
Meals at all hours
Board by day, week or month
Good furnished rooms.

Mrs. Radcl, Proprietress

Russel Block, Lacombe

FRANK VICKERSON

Financial Agent
Money to Loan

Lacombe : Alberta

Hospital Fund.

Lacombe, Mar. 5

Total cash on hand - \$1082.75

Amount paid for hospital site - \$11.50

Total contributions to date - \$1071.25

End of Season Snaps!

- 1 Calfskin Coat, rat collar and cuffs, \$45.00 reduced to \$38.00
- 1 Wombat, 32.00 reduced to 26.00
- 1 Dog Astrachan Collar, \$25.00 for 21.00
- Men's black Overcoats, velvet collar, 15.00 for 12.00
- Grey Overcoats, velvet collar, 12.00 for 9.00
- Shirts, 1.25 for 1.00
- Hats, Caps, Suspenders, etc.

D. CAMERON

Merchant Tailor